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In re Application of: O'Rourke, et al.  
Serial No.: 09/781,522  
Filing Date: February 8, 2001  
Title: METHOD ALLOCATION SCHEME FOR SERVER  
LOAD BALANCERS SERVICES IN A HIGH  
THROUGHPUT ENVIRONMENT

Honorable Assistant Commissioner  
for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Applicants respectfully request, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, that the reference listed on the attached PTO-1449 form be considered in the examination of the above-identified patent application. A copy of this reference is enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner. Furthermore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(h), no representation is made that this reference qualifies as prior art or that the reference is material to the patentability of the present application.

Applicants respectfully submit that the claims of Applicants' above-referenced patent application are patentably distinguishable from this reference.

Applicants believe that no fee is due. However, if a fee is required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

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R	U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/780,755, entitled "Preallocation of Client Network Address Translation Addresses for Client-Server Networks," filed February 8, 2001 with drawings (Attorney Docket No. 062891.0460), 34 total pages.	02/08/2001
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